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Regional Freedom of Information Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 1445 Ross Avenue (6MD-OE) Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

## Via Electronic Filing

Re:

Freedom of Information Act Request

San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site (TXN000606611) located in Channelview, Texas

## Dear Sir or Madam:

This is a request for public information under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552.001 et. seq.) ("FOIA"). I hereby request a copy of the following "information" as defined by the FOIA, including, but not limited to, written correspondence, documents, emails, files, notes, reports, investigations, memoranda, and other documents which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has in its possession:

- All information concerning the so-called San Jacinto River Waste Pits including, but not limited to, information on press releases, and correspondence and other communications with elected officials, Harris County representatives and Port of Houston Authority representatives.
- 2. All information related to dioxin in the San Jacinto River, Houston Ship Channel, and Galveston Bay, including, but not limited to, sources of the dioxin, sampling reports, sampling locations, and dates of sampling.
- 3. All information on the effect of dioxin on marine life in the San Jacinto River, Houston Ship Channel, and Galveston Bay.
- 4. All aerial photos taken between 1960 and the present day of any stretch of the San Jacinto River located within one mile of the current I-10 bridge or the former State Highway 73 bridge.

5. All information related to the ownership or any suspected owners of the property on which the San Jacinto River Waste Pits are located.

## This request excludes:

- (1) Any information submitted to the EPA by the Respondents at the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site or their representatives, unless notes or other markings have been placed on such information;
- (2) Any technical report submitted to EPA by Anchor QEA or Integral Consulting Inc., unless notes or other markings have been placed on such information;
- (3) Any information previously provided to Winstead PC in response to FOIA Request No. EPA-R6-2011-000069, dated April 27, 2011; and
- (4) Any information previously provided to Winstead PC in response to FOIA Request No. 6-RIN-00545-08, dated July 10, 2008.

Please send all responsive information on a DVD in lieu of an on-site file review to the following address:

Betsy Peticolas Winstead PC 401 Congress Avenue Suite 2100 Austin, Texas 78701

As provided in the FOIA, please respond to this request within twenty (20) business days. I may be contacted at (512) 370-2862 or <a href="mailto:bpeticolas@winstead.com">bpeticolas@winstead.com</a> if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Betsy Peticolas